ABSTRACT

A colonic drug delivery composition is provided and comprises a starch capsule containing a drug, the starch capsule being provided with a coating such that the drug will only be released from the capsule in the colon. The coating may be a pH sensitive material, a redox sensitive material, or a material broken down by specific enzymes or bacteria present in the colon. The drug to be delivered may be one for local action in the colon or a systemically active drug to be absorbed from the colon.